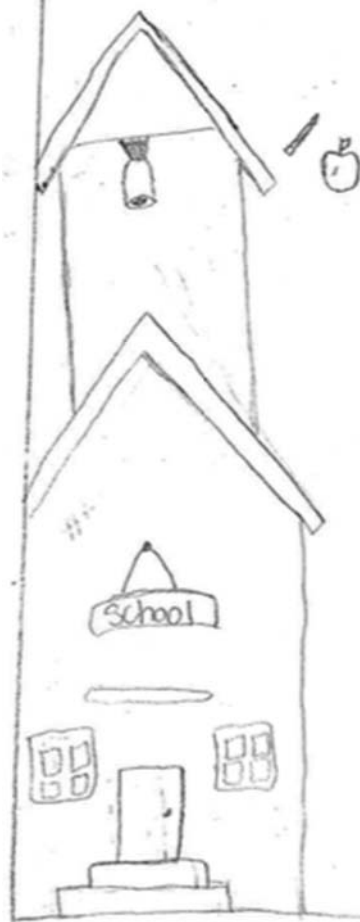


Rally Day!

WESTMINSTER

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 19, 2018

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – *Partita on 'Leaning on the Everlasting Arms'* Sprong
Prayer of Preparation (*you may prepare for worship by praying silently*)

Living God, you sustained our ancestors with manna in the wilderness.
Fill us with the gift of everlasting life so that we may rise on the last day;
through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Bob Buckner

Call to Worship – (*responsive*)

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Wisdom has prepared a feast for us;

let us eat and drink of God's gifts.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn of Praise 65 – *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession – (*unison*)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way.
You bestow the gift of wisdom, yet we continue in our
foolishness. You provide the bread of life, yet we persist in the
ways of death. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to make better
use of the lives you have given us, giving glory to you in all
things; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(time for silent confession)

* Assurance of Pardon

* The Congregation's Response: *Gloria Patri* Hymn 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen, amen.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Time with Children

Christopher Crotwell

Blessing of Backpacks

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading – Psalm 111

pew Bible pg. 490

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem – *Lift High the Cross* by *Sydney H. Nicholson*

arr. by Cindy Berry

Jackson Creel, pianist

Second Reading – I Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

pew Bible pg. 265-266

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon – Solomon's Request

Rev. Dr. Christopher Crotwell

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers

Wally Gregg

Martha Ann Hogrefe

Althea Jerome

Mary Dayne Gregg

Tommy Suttle

All Rotation Sunday school volunteers

* Affirmation of Faith: (*unison*) The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal pg. 35)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day
he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth
on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall
come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe
in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion
of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the
body; and life everlasting. Amen.**

- * Hymn of Thanksgiving 450 – *Be Thou My Vision*

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory – *Prelude No. 2 in C Minor*

J.S. Bach

Jackson Creel, pianist

- * The Doxology – Hymn 606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

- * Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn of Consecration 755 – *Alleluia! Laud and Blessing*

- * Charge and Benediction

- * Postlude – *Oh Had I Jubal's Lyre*

Handel



*Please stand at the * as you are able. Unison readings are **printed in bold**.
Please remove all papers from the sanctuary when you leave.



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

Eugenia Anderson, Pam Love's aunt – recovering from a broken hip

Kinlock Bell – prayers for needed rest

Marilyn Bowen, Sam Dossett's sister – colon cancer

Jack Burke, Janet Burke's husband – hospitalized

Brandi Carter, friend of Nancy Johnson – cancer scans were clear

Ruthie Davis – upcoming surgery

Andrew Dennis, Beverly and Charles Dennis' son – melanoma

Sam Dossett – continued prayers

Lauranne Doggett, Sarah Brannon's sister – Alzheimer's

Sarah Ellena, daughter of Martha Ann and Charles Hogrefe – recovery from alcohol addiction

Katie Hall, friend of Bob Lochhead – slowly recovering from a brain aneurism

Mary Halliwell, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – pancreatic cancer

Ladd Hey, Gene Owens' friend – upcoming heart surgery

B. J. Lambert – prayers that "Moving Home Program" goes well

Stephanie Liddell, Geri Jones' daughter – employment and special prayers

Jim Lundy, Sinclair Lundy's brother – early stages of dementia

Rush McClinton, Jeanne Herring's nephew – at home recovering

Damon McGill, Sharecare member – upcoming tests for cancer

Crystal Miller, friend of Nancy Johnson – recovering from double lung & heart transplant

Cindy Nobles – undergoing treatment for the recurrence of cancer

James Reid, Carolyn McLarnan's brother – frontotemporal dementia motor neuron disease and ALS

Kem Reid, father of Ryan Reid – awaiting a bone marrow transplant

Yvonne Ross, former member – recovering from broken pelvis

Sharon Sabin, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – advanced cancer and Parkinson's

Patty Talbot, Ann Aldridge's sister – finished treatments, prayers for strength

Virginia VanWart, friend of Janet Burke – lung cancer



Greeting and Announcements

Welcome to Westminster! We're very glad to see you in worship. We hope you will sense Christ's presence. If you are looking for a place to grow and serve, we'd love to tell you more about us. Please turn off cell phones during the worship hour.

During the Time with Children all children (Pre-K - 12th grade) will be invited to come forward for a special blessing to start school. You will also receive a special gift to put in your backpacks to carry with you throughout the school year.

New Beginnings and the youth/children will have its annual intergenerational cookout at Tommy's house at 5 p.m. today. We will carpool from the church at 4:30. Please bring an appetizer or a dessert to share. This is a fun event for all that includes swimming and fellowship.

Chancel Choir will meet Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Assistive listening devices are available on the narthex cabinet.

Children's bulletins are available on the narthex cabinet.

Large print bulletins are available on the narthex cabinet.

Brown Bag Bible Study meets Tuesday at noon. We will study Hosea chapter 3.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, August 23, at 6:30 a.m. at Shoney's.

The **Session** will meet today following worship in the conference room.

Head deacon for the month of August is Chad Edmonson.

Margaret Lochhead is seeking volunteers to fill **Breadbasket applications** for September 4-7. A signup sheet is on a narthex table.



Bulletin artwork was done by Elisa and Meredith Suttle and Susan Crowell.

All Circle 3 ladies are invited to a Dessert Party at the home of Alicia Westbrook (277 Woodstone Drive) on Sunday, August 26th at 7 p.m. Come join us for some sweet treats, fellowship and a preview of our Bible study series for this year "Seamless: Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story". **We hope to see you all there!**

Just as the human body needs eyes, hands, ears, lungs, etc., so does the Body of Christ. We have many small group opportunities for growth, fellowship and service here at Westminster. We encourage members to use their gifts to participate in the mission of this congregation and to invite others to join us in serving Jesus Christ.



The Seal of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

A Symbolic Statement of the Church

The Cross – Christianity

The Transept – Bible and Pulpit

The Dove – The Holy Spirit

The Intersection – Baptismal Font or
Communion Cup

Flames – Implied triangle, the Trinity

THE SESSION

Class of 2019

Althea Jerome
J. T. Johnson
Cindy Nobles

Class of 2020

Claude Sanders
Dean Cromartie
Kathryn Cummings

Class of 2021

David Arnold
Ginny Graham
Eric Reidenbach

THE TRUSTEES

Franklin Bryant Mary Cromartie Wally Gregg

THE DEACONS

Class of 2019

David Daves
Janeil Harris
Butch Nobles
Susan Turner

Class of 2020

Katie Ginn
Judy Haydel
Sinclair Lundy
Robert Lochhead

Class of 2021

Chad Edmonson
Brandon Hayes
Rhoda Pickett
Beth Richmond
Jackson Creel

Youth Representative

CHURCH STAFF

Christopher Crotwell, Minister	Tommy Suttle, Director of Discipleship
Sinclair Lundy, Financial Secretary	Martha Davis, Church Administrator
Randall Harris, Organist	Connie Roberts, Chancel Choir
Director Wes Brooks, Communications	Michael Ginn, Children's Music Director
	Ray Robinson, Sexton